

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 1:23 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill and joint resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4079. An act to require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a comprehensive fraud audit of the Department of Education.

H.J. Res. 101. An act recognizing the 225th birthday of the United States Army.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 266. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the benefits of music education.

At 4:28 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the House of Representatives to the bill (S. 761) to regulate interstate commerce by electronic means by permitting and encouraging the continued expansion of electronic commerce through the operation of free market forces, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill and joint resolution were read the first and second times by unanimous consent and referred as indicated:

H.R. 4079. An act to require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct comprehensive fraud audit of the Department of Education.

H.J. Res. 101. An act recognizing the 225th birthday of the United States Army.

The following concurrent resolution was read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 266. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the benefits of music education.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-9212. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of SDB Certification and Eligibility, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "8(a) Business Development/Small Disadvantaged Business Status Determinations" (RIN 3245-AE46) received on June 5, 2000; to the Committee on Small Business.

EC-9213. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Chemical and Biological Weapons Control and Warfare Elimination Act of 1991; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-9214. A communication from the Executive Director of the District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the resolution and order approving the fiscal year 2000 financial plan and budget; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9215. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Children Suffering from Spina Bifida Who Are Children of Vietnam Veterans" (RIN 2900-A-J25) received on June 1, 2000; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-9216. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Exports of Commercial Communications Satellite Components, Systems, Parts, Accessories and Associated Technical Data on the United States Munitions Lists" received on May 24, 2000; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-9217. A communication from the Attorney-Adviser, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fees for Exchange Visitor Program Designation Services" (Public Notice 3284) received on June 5, 2000; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. SHELBY, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Report to accompany S. 2720. An original bill making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-390).

By Mr. HELMS, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and with a preamble:

S. Res. 303: A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the treatment by the Russian Federation of Andrei Babitsky, a Russian journalist working for Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty.

By Mr. STEVENS, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2001" (Report No. 106-309).

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of committee were submitted:

By Mr. THOMPSON for the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

Alan Craig Kessler, of Pennsylvania, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2008.

Amy L. Comstock, of Maryland, to be Director of the Office of Government Ethics for a term of five years.

Anna Blackburne-Rigsby, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Thomas J. Motley, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Carol Waller Pope, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Labor Relations Authority for a term expiring July 1, 2004.

John McAdam Mott, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed subject to the nominees' commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. HELMS (for himself, Mr. LOTT, Mr. WARNER, Mr. HATCH, Mr. GRAMS, and Mr. SHELBY):

S. 2726. A bill to protect United States military personnel and other elected and appointed officials of the United States Government against criminal prosecution by an international criminal court to which the United States is not a party; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mr. BRYAN, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. WELLSTONE):

S. 2727. A bill to improve the health of older Americans and persons with disabilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BRYAN (for himself and Mr. REID):

S. 2728. A bill to authorize the Forest Service to convey certain lands in the Lake Tahoe Basin to the Washoe County School District for use as an elementary school site; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. CONRAD (for himself and Mr. SMITH of Oregon):

S. 2729. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to restore stability and equity to the financing of the United Mine Workers of America Combines Benefit Fund by eliminating the liability of reachback operations, to provide additional sources of revenue to the Fund, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. DOMENICI, Mrs. BOXER, and Mr. BINGAMAN):

S. 2730. A bill to provide for the appointment of additional Federal district judges, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FRIST (for himself and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 2731. A bill to amend title III of the Public Health Service Act to enhance the Nation's capacity to address public health threats and emergencies; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. BIDEN (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. BRYAN, Mr. KENNEDY, Mrs. MURRAY,